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already won. As early as 1871, we find Charles Eliot Norton, a sympathetic observer of German life, writing from Dresden to George William Curtis:

But in Germany we no longer philosophize on such matters, and we trouble ourselves little concerning any questions but those of which the solution admits of immediate and practical application. The German has been surfeited with metaphysics and ontology till he has taken a disgust to them. Nothing that has not material value pleases him. Ideas he despises; facts are his treasure. . . . Having led the world in the regions of abstractions, Germany now proposes to lead it in that of realities.

The philosophers themselves did not escape the contagion, but proclaimed the Gospel of *Kultur* and launched into *Weltpolitik*—with what acumen is evidenced in the Manifesto of the Ninety-Three and the assertion of Rudolph Eucken on his recent visit to America that the British Empire was rotten to the core; that at the first touch India, Ireland, and South Africa would rise in rebellion, and the whole edifice fall like a pack of cards!

FROM A LOVER OF LIBERTY

SIR,—I have never quite got over my regret in losing you from *Harper's Weekly*, which meant losing the paper, and I tried to get along without the REVIEW; but since reading the first five war numbers I have decided I must have it even if we go hungry.

As an American citizen, allow me to thank you for the powerful blows you are striking for freedom and humanity. You have expressed the attitude of the intelligent patriot of America with such clearness and force that it seems to me your arguments are bound to carry conviction to every real lover of liberty, and I wish the whole world might read them.

I have no possible motive for flattering you, and I just want you to know how much I appreciate the service you are rendering the Country. I do not believe there is another, except the President, who could do it as well.

I earnestly hope and pray that your health and strength may be spared to continue the good work to the end and that others, more influential and representative than myself, may so express their gratitude that you may feel compensated for your labor.

God bless you—keep it up!

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

R. W. MCBRYDE.

BOHEMIAN APPRECIATION

Sir,—I have read with interest the article by Mr. Bonsal on "Bohemia—the Submerged Front," appearing in THE NORTH AMERICAN REVIEW for September. The article is accurate and shows a clear understanding of the Bohemian question. May I assure you that the Czech citizens and residents of the United States greatly appreciate the fact that your REVIEW has published this article?

Articles such as these not only serve to convey to the American public information which is necessary if the various problems growing out of the European situation are to be understood, but what is usually not quite appreciated, they also serve to draw the emigrant closer to his adopted country. Perhaps the one best way of really Americanizing